

New Bedford May 7<sup>th</sup> 1839.

To Gerrit Smiths "beloved"

Dear Maria, I hope you will take it as a great favour that I write to-night, for it is late, & I am tired and sleepy and dont want to at all - but I will do violence to my inclinations & go on - Last Friday I wrote to Anne, nothing special happened till Sunday night, when I called at Susan Sabers, & there was Hathaway a man who is travelling with Dawse to get money for Oberlin Dawse I missed, about \$500 was obtained - here William Hatch gave \$100 & dear brother Andrew another Susan had just received a letter from Marshfield refusing to give any assistance to the Tradle, on the ground that it looked like retaliation, & saying that they were going to give their money to the support of the Liberator & to redeem the state pledge Susan thought feelers were maneuvering them, without their knowing it; but I thought it looked very much like some of dear bro Chays handy-work - that is seed of his sowing. This by the way is North Marshfield - She (Susan) had also received a circular from the Boston Female in regard

to their fair — "war to the knife & the knife  
to the hilt" is evidently the part — the National  
are going to take now. I was amused to  
see how the Boston Female had assumed  
the responsibilities of the cross women.  
"we feel it to be the duty of &c" Phelps's  
"peard" is very apparent; — If ~~the~~ were to  
save his life he can't write in any <sup>way</sup>, but a  
very dictatorial ~~essay~~, when it comes to  
addressing women. I suppose you  
have seen it long ere this. — I heard too  
that Stanton & Whittier are going to Europe,  
to England soon, is it true? You have  
seen James G. Birney's last, in the Emanc-  
-ipator, the cats are certainly well  
out of the bag — let 'em finish this any  
thing been heard from Philadelphia  
yet, write immediately if there has  
I can hardly wait to hear from New  
York — What the National have planned  
I can't think who has gone on? Have you?  
Now I think of it Anne must be in  
town by this time she must  
write immediately, or I shall fly.  
It seems an age since I heard, — for  
though I thankfully acknowledge the  
package on Friday, there has been time  
enough since for a thorough revo-  
-lution — Birney's letter is published  
in the Lion's watchman, La Roy  
Qunderland is the editor of that is he not

Dear Anne,

Imagine how you  
would have felt out at Weymouth  
at this crisis & remember me. I should  
like to hear every other night <sup>if I could</sup> — I don't  
want for news from N. Y. but write  
immediately — What was that Lucia  
alluded to in her letter, about Hallett,  
don't forget to explain — I now let  
me tell you when I am coming home  
3 weeks from West — Saturday sees me  
on my way to Boston, a fortnight  
from next Saturday I am in such  
outrageous good spirits I can hardly  
sit on my chair any of the time —  
Like Mrs. Fanny Lysons, I am presiding  
out loud all the time I am writing  
this, I am very anxious to hear  
how they are at Weymouth. Write  
do but write — How is Channing?  
Best love to all —  
ever yours.

Ms. A. 9. 2. 11. 99

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is Mr. M. W. L. all out?  
Mrs. Emerson  
says it is not